

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 18, 1845.

Submitted, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BAYARD made the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 133.]

*The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Jesse D. Elliott, report :*

That the petitioner is a captain in the United States navy, and was in command of the Mediterranean squadron from the year 1835 to the year 1839. During the period of that command, he was subjected to considerable expense in entertaining the King and Queen of Greece, the Prince of Saxe Cobourg, and the Pacha of Egypt. He was also, as he states, subjected to further expense in entertaining the prime minister of the Grand Duke of Tuscany, the Captain Pacha of the Egyptian fleet, and the Pachas of Beyroot, Tyre, Sidon, and Jaffa, the Bashaw of Smyrna, and the Lord High Commissioner of the Ionian Islands.

The committee, adopting the principles laid down in the report made in the case of Captain Charles W. Morgan, (Senate Document 235, 1st session 28th Congress,) are of opinion that the items marked (A,) comprising the expenses incurred in the entertainment of the King and Queen of Greece, the Prince of Saxe Cobourg, and the Pacha of Egypt, should be allowed, "as extraordinary expenses, not the result of mere liberality, but as connected with the credit and dignity of the country, in acts of national courtesy." The other items of the account, marked (R,) the committee think should be rejected, on the principle laid down in the same report, of being "expenditures arising from the voluntary interchange of civilities with distinguished foreign officers, which is a matter of mere liberality, regarding only the character of the officer," and with reference to which expenses, the pay of the officer must be supposed to have been adjusted.

The committee accordingly report a bill for the relief of the petitioner.

*The United States of America, to Jesse D. Elliott, of U. S. Navy, Dr.*

To receiving and entertaining on board the United States frigate Constitution, off Athens, in the month of September, 1835, the King of Greece and the members of his Court, (A) \$500 00

To receiving and entertaining the suite of the Prince of Saxe Cobourg, his bridegroom, and the illustrious personages of the Court of Lisbon, in the Tagus, in the month of April, 1836, (A) - - - - -	\$500 00
To receiving and entertaining the King of Greece and his bridal Queen, with the illustrious personages of the Court, male and female, in the month of May, 1837, off Athens, (A)	500 00
To receiving and entertaining Mehemit Ali, the Pacha of Egypt, and the high officers of his Court, in the harbor of Alexandria, in Egypt, in the month of September, 1837, (A) -	500 00
To outlays in preparing for a visit from the prime minister of the Grand Duke of Tuscany, and for receiving and entertaining them on board the Constitution, (R) - - -	400 00
To receiving his Highness Ibrahim Pacha, the Capuden Pacha of the Egyptian fleet, and for entertaining them in the harbor of Tripoli, (R) - - - - -	350 00
To receiving and entertaining the Pacha of Beyroot, Tyre, Sidon, and Jaffa, the Bashaw of Smyrna, and the Lord High Commissioner of the Ionian Islands, and the Ionian Governor, at different times, (R) - - - - -	700 00
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The committee, adopting the principles laid down in the report made in the case of Captain Charles W. Morgan, (Senate Document 237, 1st session 54th Congress) are of opinion that the sums marked (A) comprise the expenses incurred in the entertainment of the King and Queen of Greece, the Prince of Saxe Cobourg, and the Pacha of Egypt, should be allowed, "as extraordinary expenses not the result of some liberality, but as connected with the credit and dignity of the country, in acts of national courtesy." The other items of the account, marked (R), the committee think should be rejected, on the principle laid down in the same report, of being "extraneous to the voluntary interchange of civilities with distinguished foreign officers, which is a matter of mere liberality, regarding only the character of the officer," and with reference to which, the pay of the officer must be supposed to have been adjusted. The committee accordingly report a bill for the relief of the petitioner.

The United States of America to Jean B. Elliott, of U. S. Navy, for receiving and entertaining on board the United States frigate Constitution off Athens in the month of September, 1837, the King of Greece and the members of his Court, (A) \$200 00